GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:199
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2016
Review of Disaster Management Policy
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction was held recently;

(b) if so, the details and names of participants along with the issues discussed, suggestions made and outcome thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to review the disaster management policy of the country; and

(d) if so, the details and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.
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STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*199 FOR 29.11.2016.

(a) to (b): Yes, Madam. The Government of India, in collaboration with the United Nation International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR), hosted the Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (AMCDRR) 2016 in New Delhi from 3-5 November 2016. Delegations from 41 Asia and Asia Pacific countries participated in the Conference. In addition, representatives of UN agencies, NGOs and other local stakeholders like Ministers of States/UTs, Chief Secretaries, Director General of Police, Relief Commissioners, Secretaries of the States/UTs, Members of District Disaster Management Authorities, senior functionaries of Zilla Parishads, Municipal Corporations and Municipal Councils and experts in the field of disaster management etc. also attended the Conference.

The theme of AMCDRR 2016 was "Risk Sensitive Development for Community Resilience". The Conference had 6 Technical Sessions, 3 Featured Events, 3 Ministerial Sessions and 22 Thematic Events on various cross-cutting issues such as strengthening community
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resilience; risk resilient critical infrastructure; implementing the various aspects of Sendai framework; promoting educational continuity and resilience of children and communities; disaster risk identification and financing solutions etc. The Conference concluded with (i) a Political Declaration, reaffirming the government and stakeholders' commitment to Disaster Risk Reduction, and (ii) Adoption of Asia Regional Plan for implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.

(c) & (d): The Government has only released the National Disaster Management Plan.

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